

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Lancaster

Serial No.: 09/689,442

Filed: October 12, 2000

Title: Semiconductor Non-Volatile Memory  
Device Having an Improved Write  
Speed

Group Art Unit: 2822

Examiner: Pierre, K.

Attorney Docket No.: NVX-0015C1

## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The following is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated August 14, 2002,  
the two month Advisory Action Period ends October 14, 2002.

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| <b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>  |                                     |  |  | Attorney Docket No:<br><b>NVX-0015C1</b>                                  |      |                                |
| Application Serial Number:<br><b>09/689,442</b>  |                                     | Filing Date:<br><b>10/12/2000</b>                            |  | Examiner:<br><b>Pierre, K.</b>  |      | Group Art Unit:<br><b>2822</b> |
| Invention: <b>Semiconductor Non-Volatile Memory Device Having an Improved Write Speed</b>  |                                     |  |  |   |      |                                |
| TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:<br>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.  |                                     |  |  |   |      |                                |
| <b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>   |                                     |  |  |   |      |                                |
|  | CLAIMS REMAINING<br>AFTER AMENDMENT |  | HIGHEST NUMBER<br>PREVIOUSLY PAID<br>FOR | NO. OF EXTRA<br>CLAIMS PRESENT  | RATE | ADDITIONAL<br>FEE              |
| TOTAL CLAIMS   | 21                                  | MINUS  | 21                                       | 0   | \$18 | \$ 0.00                        |
| INDEP. CLAIMS  | 3                                   | MINUS  | 3  | 0   | \$84 | \$ 0.00                        |
| _____ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of<br>to and through, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:<br>_____ one month (\$110)                      _____ three months (\$920)<br>_____ two months (\$400)                      _____ four months (\$1,440) |                                     |  |  |   |      |                                |
| <b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>   |                                     |  |  |   |      |                                |
| _____ A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.<br><u>  X  </u> Please charge any necessary additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account <u>50-2087</u> .<br><u>  X  </u> No additional fee is required.   |                                     |  |  |   |      |                                |
| <b>Conditional Petition for Additional Extension of Time</b>   |                                     |  |  |   |      |                                |
| It is believed that the indicated items are timely filed. However, in the event an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Please charge any fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. <u>50-2087</u> .  |                                     |  |  |   |      |                                |
| <u>OCTOBER 11, 2002</u><br>date  |                                     | <u>Bradley Sako</u><br>Reg. No. 37,923<br><br>37 C.F.R. §1.8 |  | <b>FAX COPY RECEIVED</b><br><br>OCT 11 2002<br><br>TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800 |      |                                |
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